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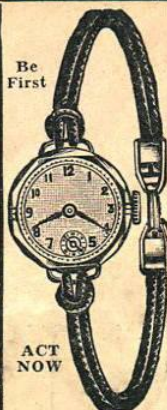
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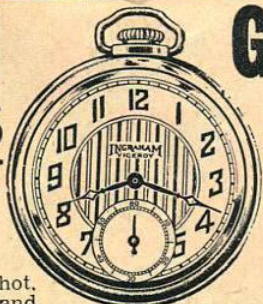
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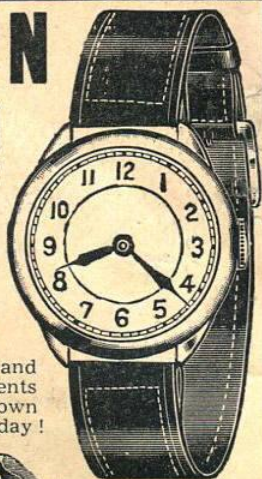
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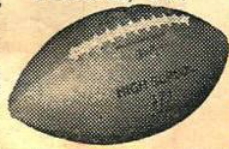
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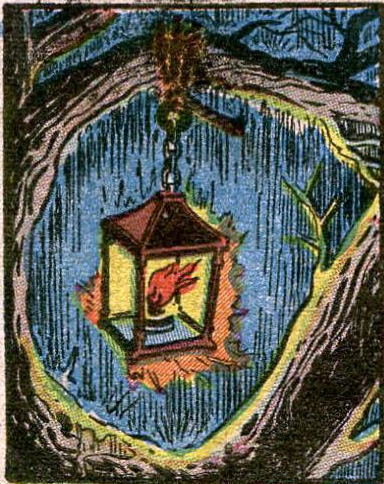
# THE GHOST RIDER



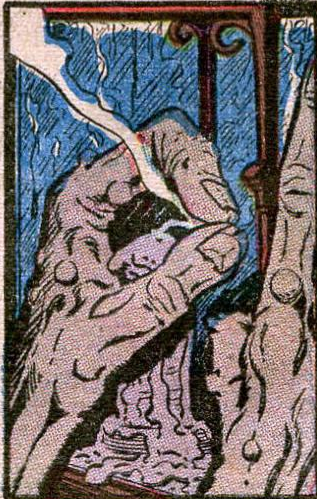
A ROTTING CORPSE  
THAT HAUNTS THE OLD  
HALLS OF AN ANCIENT,  
ACCURSED INN ..... A  
SCREAM IN THE NIGHT  
AS SCABROUS HANDS  
TIGHTEN A NOOSE OF  
DEATH ABOUT THE THROAT  
OF A TERRIFIED GIRL —  
AND **THE GHOST RIDER** —  
HURTLING FORWARD TO  
CONFRONT THE MURDEROUS  
DEMON THAT INHABITS —

"The **INN** on  
SKULL MOUNTAIN"

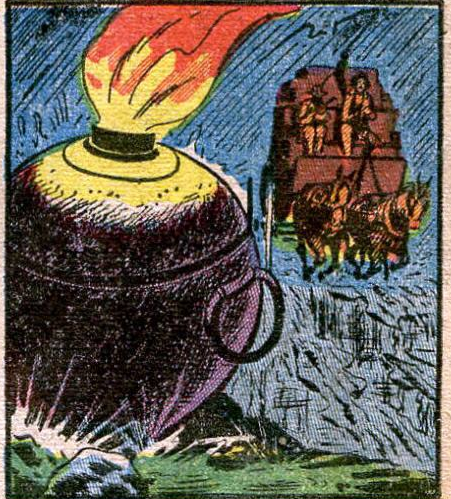
IT HANGS ON THE BARE BRANCH  
OF A DEAD JUDAS TREE, THIS  
LANTERN THAT SHOWS THE WAY  
THROUGH THE TWISTED CANYONS  
OF SKULL MOUNTAIN —



BUT ON CERTAIN NIGHTS, A  
ROTTING HAND THRUSTS  
ITSELF INTO THAT LANTERN,  
AND PINCHES OUT THE CANDLE..



AND THE SWAYING SUNSET CITY  
STAGE TRUNDLES ON THROUGH THE  
NIGHT, UNAWARE THAT A DIFFERENT  
SORT OF LIGHT HAS TAKEN ITS PLACE..!





# THE GHOST RIDER

SOME MILES BEYOND THE LIGHT —

DOGGONE! WE MUST'VE TAKEN THE WRONG TURN. NEVER SAW THIS PLACE AFORE ...!



HOW CREEPY! ALMOST AS IF IT WERE HAUNTED!

A GRIM PLACE — BUT BETTER THAN THE OPEN, IN VIEW OF THE STORM THAT'S BLOWING UP!

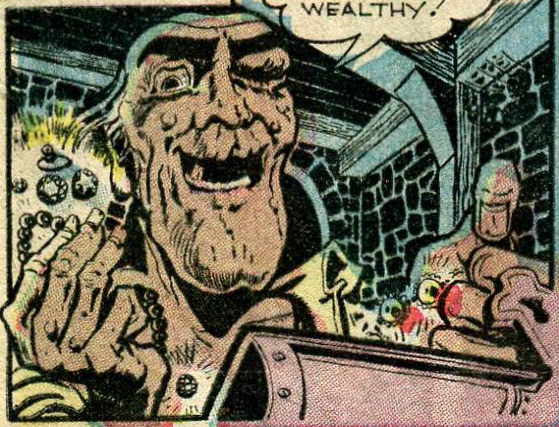


AS SLEEP CLOSES THE EYES OF THE TRAVELLERS, A GRISLY THING MOVES AMONG THE SHADOWS ...



SHORTLY AFTER, IN A DUSTY CELLAR ROOM OF THE ANCIENT INN ...

FINE DIAMONDS! RARE EMERALDS! MUCH MONEY! HEE HEE HEE... I AM GROWING WEALTHY!



SOME MONTHS LATER, AT A RELAY STATION ALONG THE SUNSET CITY—SILVER GAP STAGECOACH ROUTE...

I'VE WARNED THE DRIVER TO BE PLUMB CAREFUL! WE'VE LOST THREE STAGECOACHES ALREADY IN THE SKULL MOUNTAINS. AND NOBODY KNOWS WHAT BECAME OF 'EM!





# THE GHOST RIDER

DO — DO YOU THINK ANYTHING WILL HAPPEN TO *US*?

RECKON NOT, MA'AM. I'M REX FURY — A FEDERAL MARSHAL. I'LL BE ON THE LOOKOUT.



ON ONE SIDE OF THE STAGE SITS MARCUS LONG, A DRUMMER IN MEN'S WEAR, ADA BRENTWOOD, AND REX FURY...

THAT'S GOOD NEWS, MARSHAL. I'VE HEARD RUMORS OF THOSE DISAPPEARING STAGECOACHES.

IT'S FRIGHTENING, ISN'T IT?

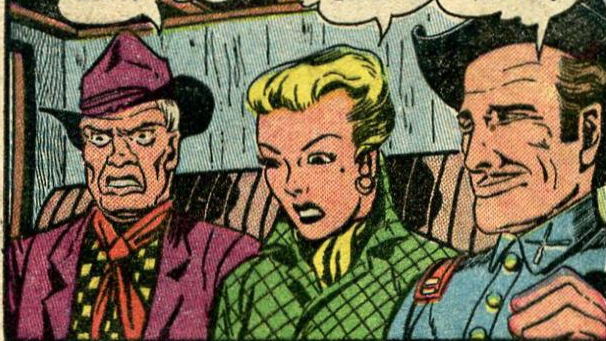


ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STAGE ARE RUFUS HALLOWEL, RANCHER, DIXIE TRENT, DANCER AND SINGER BOUND FOR THE DANCEHALLS OF TOMBSTONE, AND LIEUTENANT HENRY REXFORD OF THE U.S. CAVALRY...

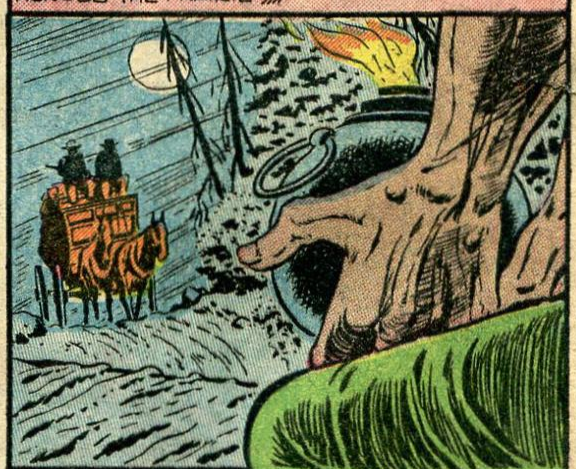
ANSWER'S SIMPLE! INJUNS IS RAISIN' CAIN!

OOOOH — WILL THEY SC-SCALP US?

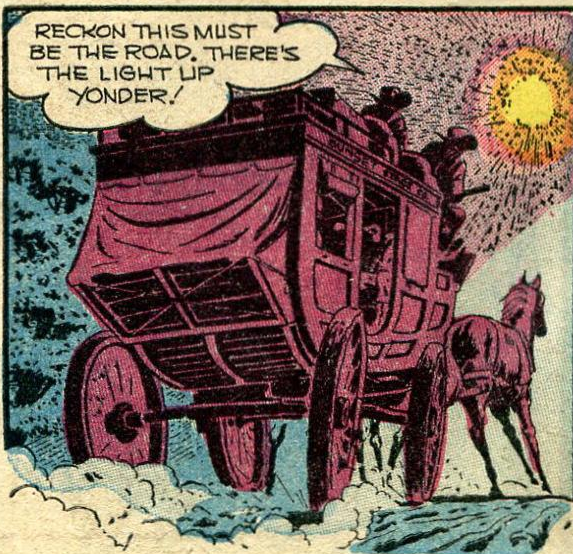
NOT WHILE I'M AROUND, MA'AM!



RATTLING AND SWINGING, THE COACH MOVES ON ACROSS THE SAGE FLATS. AS NIGHT LOWERS ACROSS THE PRAIRIE...



RECKON THIS MUST BE THE ROAD. THERE'S THE LIGHT UP YONDER!



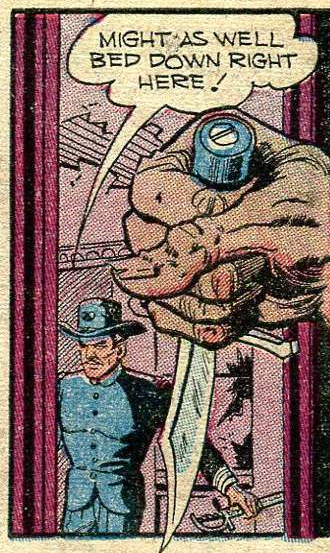
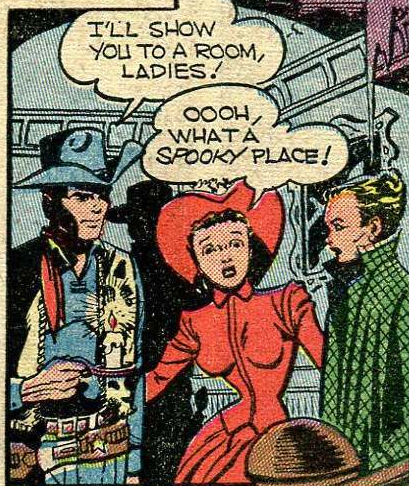
THEY HAVE ARRIVED! I MUST MAKE READY TO — GREET THEM...!





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ONE BY ONE, THE GUESTS ENTER THE OLD INN.



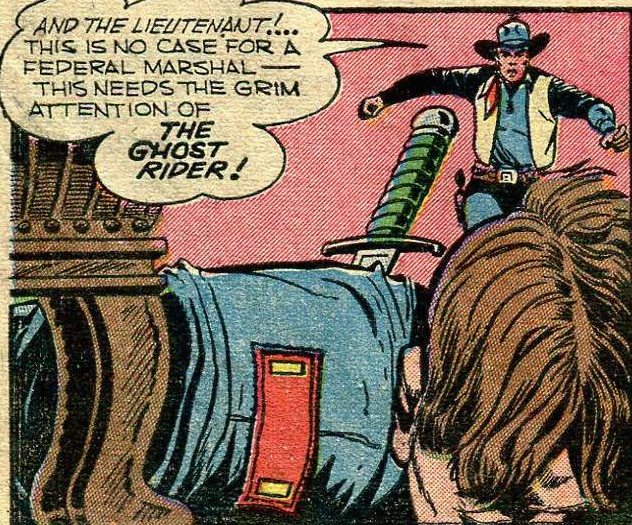
ALONG A LONELY, DUSTY CORRIDOR A FEW MOMENTS LATER—



AS REX FURY RETURNS FROM  
THE UPSTAIRS ROOMS!!!



AND THE LIEUTENANT!...  
THIS IS NO CASE FOR A  
FEDERAL MARSHAL —  
THIS NEEDS THE GRIM  
ATTENTION OF  
**THE  
GHOST  
RIDER!**



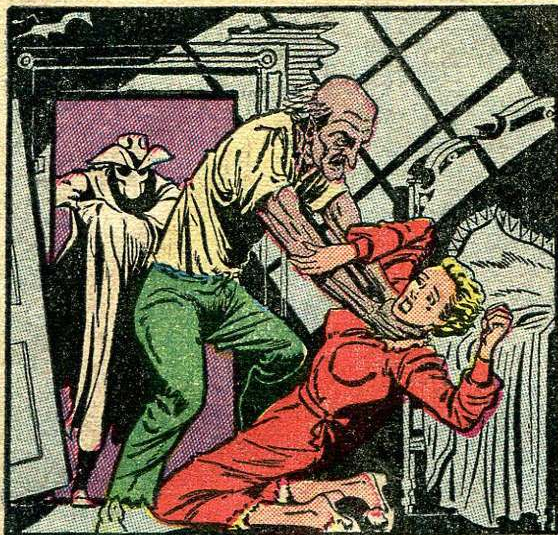
A LITTLE  
LATER, REX  
FURY HAS  
BECOME **THE**  
**GHOST RIDER**—  
AND THEN...

THAT WAS A  
WOMAN SCREAMING  
UPSTAIRS!!!





# THE GHOST RIDER



AIE— YOU LOOK LIKE A GHOST— THE GHOST OF SOMETHING LONG DEAD AND BURIED! BUT YOU ARE NO DEAD THING.



YOU ARE **ALIVE!**— FLESH AND BLOOD! FOR I AM THE GHOST RIDER, AND I KNOW ALL WHO HAVE PASSED THE BORDERLINE OF DEATH, AND BELONG TO THE REALM I GOVERN!



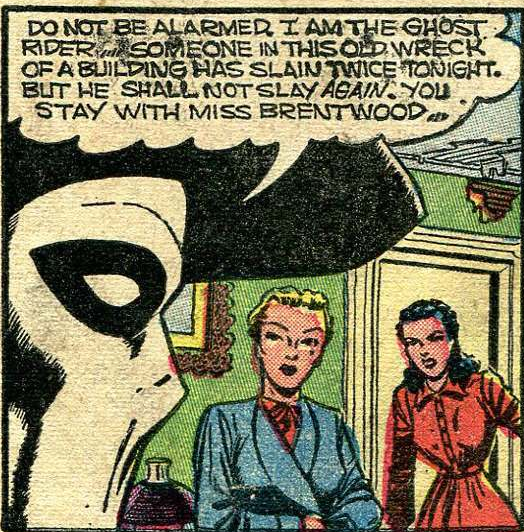
**NO! NO! AAAAAAAAAA!**



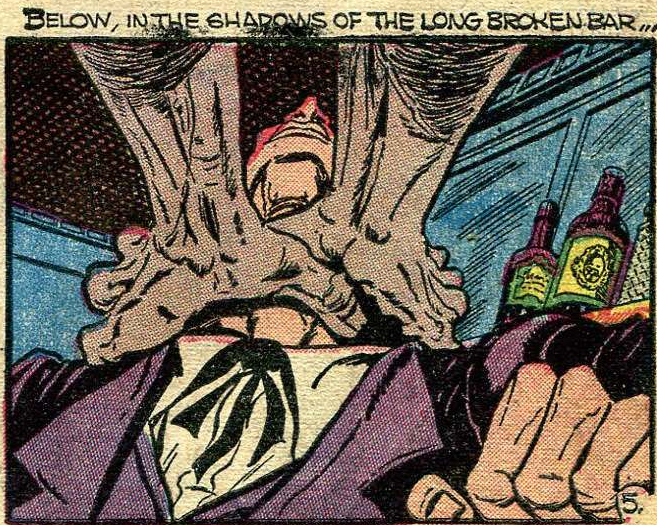
A MOMENT OF PITCH DARKNESS! THE THUD OF RUNNING FEET! AND THEN—

HE GOT AWAY! HE KNOWS THE HALLS AND ROOMS OF THIS OLD INN BACKWARDS AND FORWARDS!

HE'LL COME BACK! I KNOW HE WILL! AND I'M SCARED!



DO NOT BE ALARMED, I AM THE GHOST RIDER. SOMEONE IN THIS OLD WRECK OF A BUILDING HAS SLAIN TWICE TONIGHT. BUT HE SHALL NOT SLAY AGAIN. YOU STAY WITH MISS BRENTWOOD.



BELOW, IN THE SHADOWS OF THE LONG BROKEN BAR...



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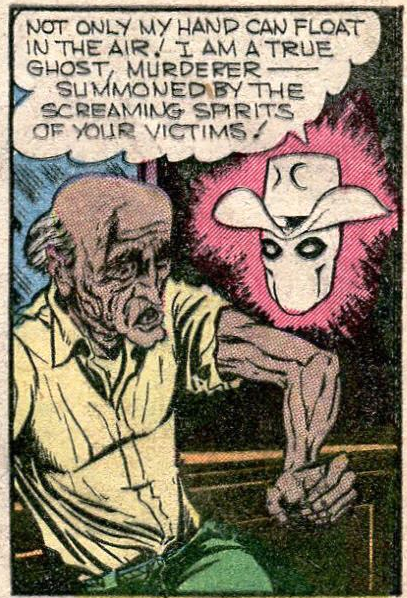
**YOU AGAIN!**

**THIS TIME YOU SHALL NOT ESCAPE ME!**



**HALT!**

**YOUR HAND—FLOATING IN THE AIR!**



**NOT ONLY MY HAND CAN FLOAT IN THE AIR! I AM A TRUE GHOST, MURDERER—SUMMONED BY THE SCREAMING SPIRITS OF YOUR VICTIMS!**

**IN A MAD PALL OF TERROR, THE CORPSE-LIKE CREATURE HURLS HIMSELF FRAUTICALLY AGAINST A PORTION OF THE WALL, HANDS SCRABBLING WILDLY...**

**AS THOSE SCRABBLING FINGERS PRESS DESPERATELY AGAINST THE WALL MOUNDING, A PORTION OF THE WALL SLIDES BACK...**

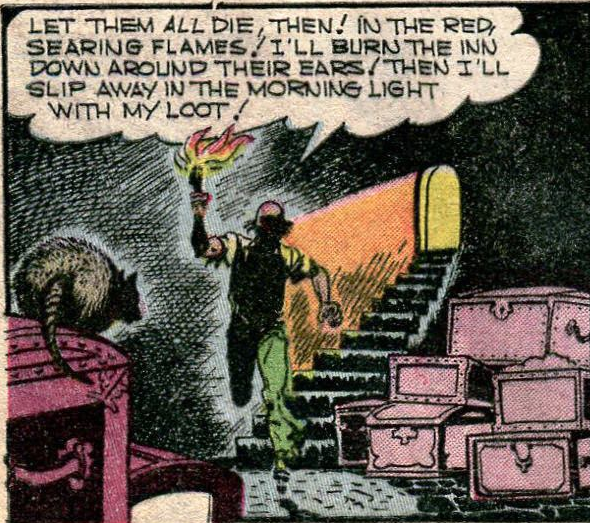


**THEY DEMAND VENGEANCE! THEY DEMAND YOUR LIFE—TO PAY FOR THEIRS!**

**NO! NO!... GET AWAY... GOT TO GET AWAY...!**



**I'LL BE SAFE IN THIS SECRET PASSAGEWAY! NONE KNOWS OF ITS EXISTENCE BUT ME!**



**LET THEM ALL DIE, THEN! IN THE RED, SEARING FLAMES, I'LL BURN THE INN DOWN AROUND THEIR EARS! THEN I'LL SLIP AWAY IN THE MORNING LIGHT WITH MY LOOT!**



**NO, NO! YOU CANNOT FOLLOW ME IN HERE! NO ONE BUT ME KNOWS THE SECRET HALLS AND HIDDEN ROOMS!**

**NOTHING IS HIDDEN TO A GHOST!**

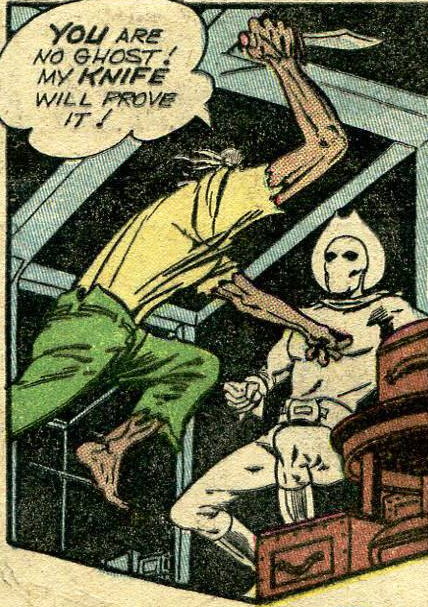


# THE GHOST RIDER

WRAPPED FROM HEAD TO TOES IN MY BLACK CLOAK, I WAS INVISIBLE AS I SLIPPED IN THROUGH THE ENTRANCE WITH HIM! NOW TO TRY MY MAGIC LANTERN ON HIM...



YOU ARE NO GHOST! MY KNIFE WILL PROVE IT!

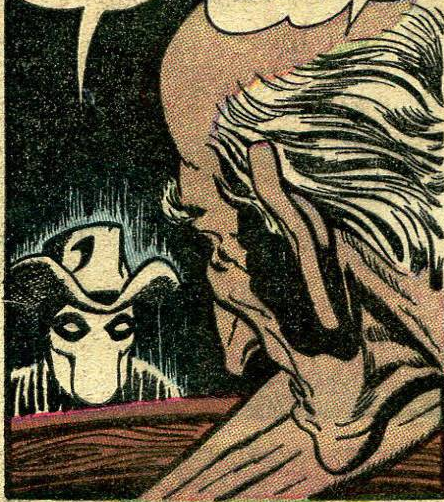


YOU - YOU! DISAPPEARED! MY KNIFE - WENT THROUGH EMPTY AIR!!!



DO YOU NEED MORE PROOF?

Y-Y-YOUR HEAD... RESTING ON TH-THE T-TABLETOP! GULP!



I THOUGHT SO / A CLEVER MASK / HANDS AND THROAT-COATED WITH GREASE AND PAINT - THE WAX AND ROUGE OF AN ACTOR!

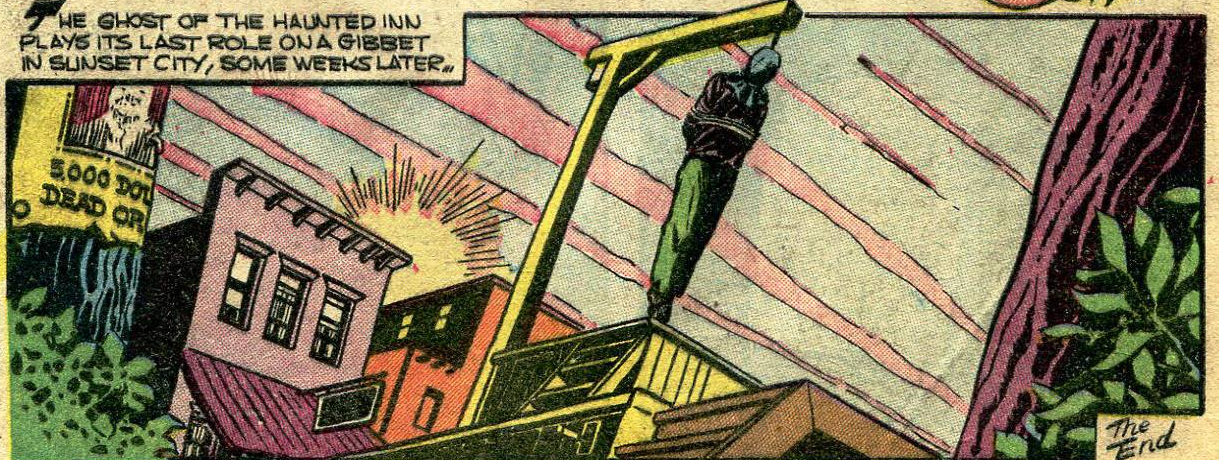
YES - I AM AN ACTOR!!



I GOT NOWHERE ON THE BOARDS, THEN I DREAMED UP MY GREATEST ROLE - TO PLAY THE PART OF A DEAD MAN COME TO LIFE / I FOUND THIS INN - CHANGED THE SIGNAL LIGHTS TO LURE VICTIMS HERE / I KILLED AND ROBBED THEM TO GET MONEY / WITH THAT MONEY I HOPED TO RETURN TO THE STAGE, SOMEDAY... IN MY OWN THEATRE...



THE GHOST OF THE HAUNTED INN PLAYS ITS LAST ROLE ON A GIBBET IN SUNSET CITY, SOME WEEKS LATER...



The End



# THE GHOST RIDER

## TALES of the GHOST RIDER

OUT OF THE DANK DEPTHS OF THE GRAVE IT CREEPS, THIS DEAD-ALIVE THING THAT BORE WITH IT THE TAINT OF THE TOMB! IT COMES TO TAKE ITS PLACE IN THE WORLD OF MEN, WHERE ITS BEAUTY WILL CAUSE MEN TO FORGET THAT IT ALSO HAS —

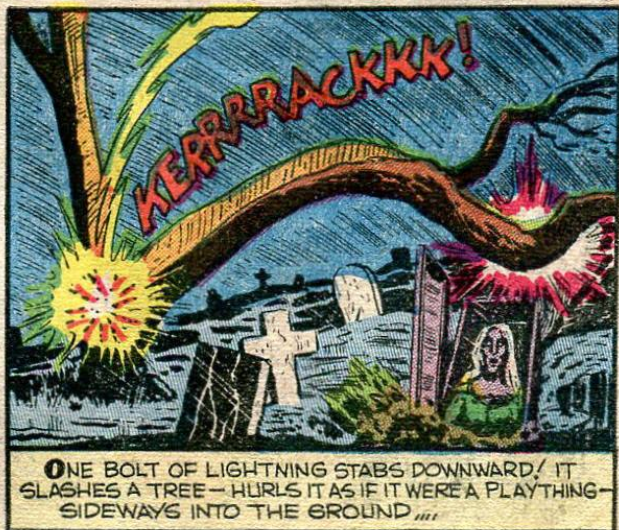
### A THIRST for BLOOD!

THIS IS ANOTHER IN A SERIES OF WEIRD WESTERN TALES ESPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR YOUR — *ENJOYMENT*!!!

MEN! I NEED THE BLOOD OF MEN TO KEEP LIFE IN ME!



STORMS ARE FEW AND FAR BETWEEN IN THE COW COUNTRY, BUT WHEN NATURE DOES RAGE, SHE FLOODS THE WASHES, AND HURLS A MILLION BOLTS OF LIGHTNING FROM THE WEeping SKIES!!!



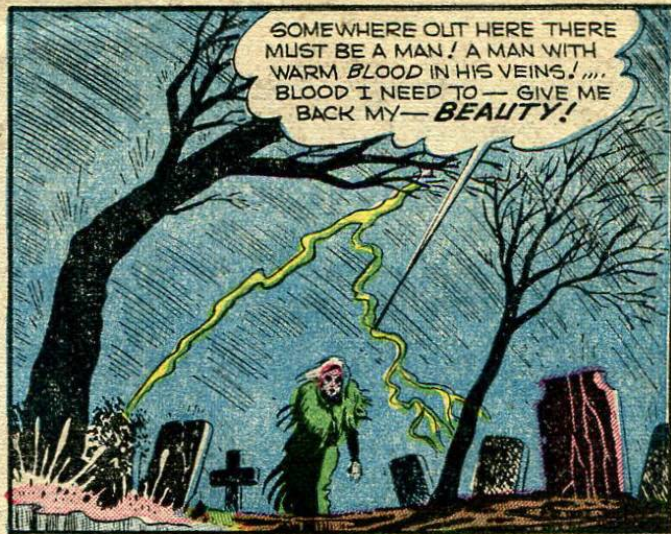
ONE BOLT OF LIGHTNING STABS DOWNWARD! IT SLASHES A TREE — HURLS IT AS IF IT WERE A PLAYTHING — SIDWAYS INTO THE GROUND!!!!



# THE GHOST RIDER



FRESH AIR! IT HAS BEEN SO LONG SINCE — I HAVE SMELLED THE AIR! THE FOOLS THAT PUT ME HERE FORGOT THAT I CAN **DIE** IN ONLY ONE WAY!!!



SOMEWHERE OUT HERE THERE MUST BE A MAN! A MAN WITH WARM BLOOD IN HIS VEINS!... BLOOD I NEED TO — GIVE ME BACK MY — **BEAUTY!**

FEW MEN RIDE THE COW COUNTRY TRAILS ON SUCH A NIGHT. BUT SOME YOUNG MEN LIKE THE STORM—



I KNEW IT! HERE COMES ONE NOW!



N-NO! AAAAGGHY!

MOMENTS LATER, THE OLD HAG LIFTS HER HEAD —



BUT NOW A CHANGE HAS COME OVER HER! NO LONGER ARE HER FEATURES TWISTED WITH UGLINESS!!!



INSTEAD, THEY RADIATE UNEARTHLY BEAUTY! ONLY THE EYES — SLANTED AND GREEN AND WISE — REFLECT THE EVIL THAT DWELLS WITHIN.

NO MAN IS STILL ALIVE WHO REMEMBERS YSABELLA DE RIACOMBA! GOOD! AND BURIED IN THE CELLAR OF THE OLD RANCHERO ARE THE BONES OF MY DEAD HUSBAND — AND THE **CHEST** THAT IS HIDDEN BENEATH THEM!





# THE GHOST RIDER

HER BARE FEET WALK FAMILIAR TRAILS. THE RAIN BEATS DOWN, BUT SHE IGNORES IT. SHE IS GOING HOME ...



WHITE FINGERS GRUB MADLY IN THE OLD SOIL. DIRT SPRAYS LOOSE ...

HERE IT IS! NO ONE EVER FOUND IT! NO ONE KNOWS THAT I — KILLED MY HUSBAND!



HA HA! I'M RICH — RICH! THE WEALTH OF THE DE RIACOMBA'S — ALL MINE! HA HA! THE OLD FOOL! HE THOUGHT HE'D KILLED ME BUT I FOOLED HIM! I'VE COME BACK AND HIS PRECIOUS GOLD AND JEWELS ARE — MINE! HA HA!



THE HINGES OF THE ROTTING DOOR CREAK LOUDLY, BUT YSABELLA DE RIACOMBA'S EYES GLOW BRIGHTLY, UNAFRAID OF THE DARK, AND THE CHILL WIND THAT SWEEPS THE CORRIDORS ...

DOWNSTAIRS! HE AND THE CHEST ARE — DOWNSTAIRS IN THE CELLAR WHERE I — BURIED HIM!



FOR A MOMENT THE OLD DAMN WALLS OF THE CELLAR FADE AWAY. YSABELLA DE RIACOMBA HEARS ONLY THE ANGRY CRIES OF MEN AND THE ROUGH RASP OF A ROPE ABOUT HER THROAT — FOR SHE IS RELIVING THE PAST, AND THE DATE IS MARCH 16, 1799 ...



YOU ARE NO WOMAN, YSABELLA! YOU ARE — VAMPIRE! TOO MANY TIMES YOU DRANK THE BLOOD OF OUR PEONS TO KEEP EVIL LIFE IN YOUR VEINS ...!

HANG THE VAMPIRE! HANG HER! AHHA — SO BE IT!



BUT THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY TO KILL A TRUE VAMPIRE ... AND HANGING IS NOT THAT WAY! THAT NIGHT ...

YSABELLA! YOU — NOT DEAD!

ONLY A STAKE THROUGH MY HEART CAN KILL ME, ALVAREZ! IT IS AS YOU SAY. I AM A VAMPIRE ...! AND I HAVE COME TO ... DRINK THE BLOOD OF THE MAN WHO BETRAYED ME TO THE MOB ...!!





# THE GHOST RIDER



YES! YES! I KILLED YOU, YOU OLD FOOL! I DRANK YOUR BLOOD—AND WHEN THEY CAME AND TOOK ME AND BURIED ME ALIVE—THAT BLOOD FED ME THROUGH THE YEARS!

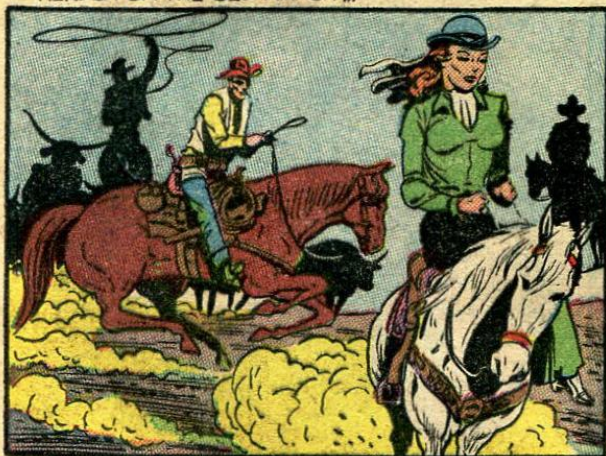


FOR YEARS I LAY THERE, WAITING... WAITING FOR THE MOMENT WHEN I WOULD HAVE LIFE AGAIN... AND WITH THIS FAMILY TREASURE, I MEAN TO... ENJOY IT!



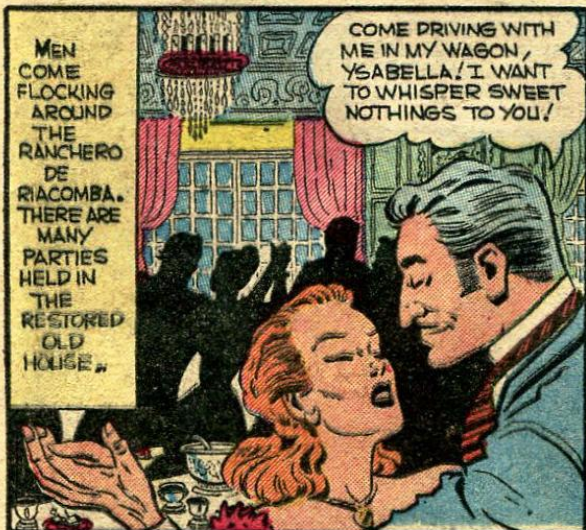
IN THE DAYS AND WEEKS THAT FOLLOW THAT RAINY NIGHT, MANY MEN CAME TO THE OLD RANCHERO. CARPENTERS AND LABORERS, PLUMBERS AND ROOFERS...

LEAN MEN RIDE UP FROM TEXAS, WITH LONGHORNS TRAILING THE DUST BEHIND THEM, TO BUILD NEW HERDS FOR THE OLD RANCH //



SHE SURE IS A PEACHERINO! I DUNNO. SHE KIND OF—SCARES ME!

IN HER BROUGHAM WITH ITS MATCHING PAIR OF HORSES, YSABELLA DE RIACOMBA BECOMES A FAMOUS SIGHT IN THE NEARBY TERRITORIAL CAPITAL //



MEN COME FLOCKING AROUND THE RANCHERO DE RIACOMBA. THERE ARE MANY PARTIES HELD IN THE RESTORED OLD HOUSE //

COME DRIVING WITH ME IN MY WAGON, YSABELLA! I WANT TO WHISPER SWEET NOTHING'S TO YOU!



YSABELLA IS GOING WITH ME!

NO—WITH ME!

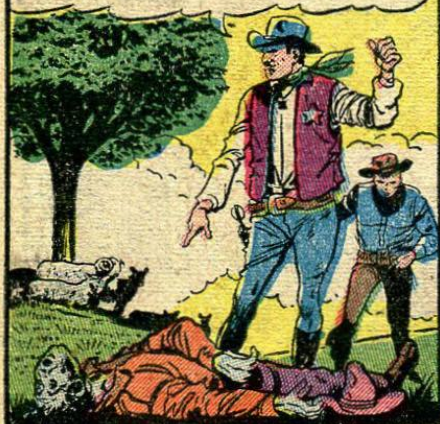
I'LL GO WITH ALL OF YOU, GENTLEMEN! AUHH—HERE'S TO LIFE! LIKE THE CHAMPAGNE IN MY HAND, I WANT TO DRINK IT ALL—AT ONCE!



# THE GHOST RIDER

LIFE IS A GAY THING FOR YSABELLA DE RIACOMBA / THERE ARE PARTIES AND GOOD TIMES — BUT ELSEWHERE ON THE RANGE, STRANGE THINGS ARE HAPPENING!

FUNNY WAY FOR A MAN TO DIE! I COULD UNDERSTAND A RANCHER SHOOTING A SHEEPHERD, BUT THIS MAN HAS BEEN DRAINED OF ALL HIS BLOOD!!!



OTHERS HAVE DIED LIKE THAT— WITHOUT BLOOD, MA'AM! BUT NEVER A—BOY— BEFORE!!!



HE WAS SUCH A ~~SOB~~ GOOD LITTLE BOY!!!

NOW A WOMAN!!!



WEEDESS OF THE STARK TERROR THAT STALKS THE RANGELANDS, YSABELLA DE RIACOMBA RIDES THE COUNTRY WITH A NEW FRIEND, DOCTOR EDWARD FRENCH!!!

MARRY ME, DARLING! I AM WEALTHY! I HAVE A GOOD PRACTICE! I CAN GIVE YOU SOCIAL POSITION— WEALTH— ALL MY LOVE!

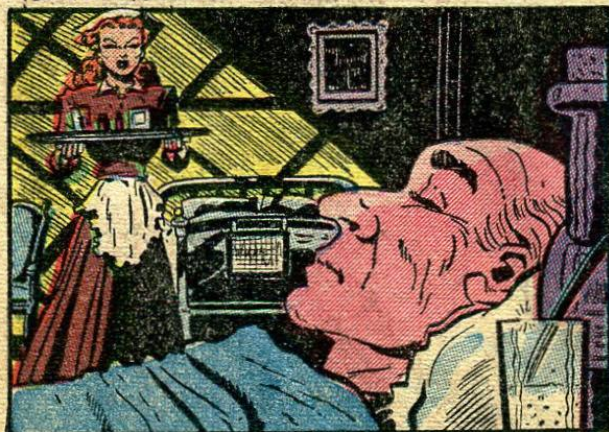


YES, DEAR! I WILL MARRY YOU!!!

YOUR PATIENTS WILL HAVE MUCH **BLOOD** TO GIVE ME!!!



AND SO DOCTOR EDWARD FRENCH AND THE BEAUTIFUL YSABELLA DE RIACOMBA ARE MARRIED. PART OF THE RANCH — AT HIS WIFE'S INSISTENCE — DOCTOR FRENCH TURNS INTO A SORT OF HOSPITAL!!!



AND AT NIGHT, ON SOUNDLESS BARE FEET, A VAMPIRE WALKS BETWEEN THE COTS!!!

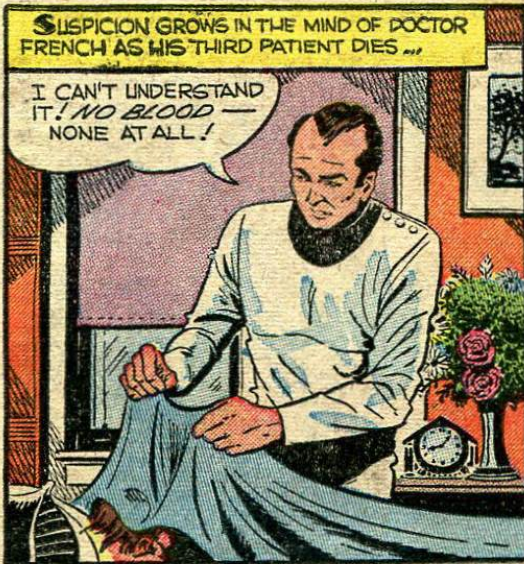




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SUSPICION GROWS IN THE MIND OF DOCTOR FRENCH AS HIS THIRD PATIENT DIES...

I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT! NO BLOOD — NONE AT ALL!

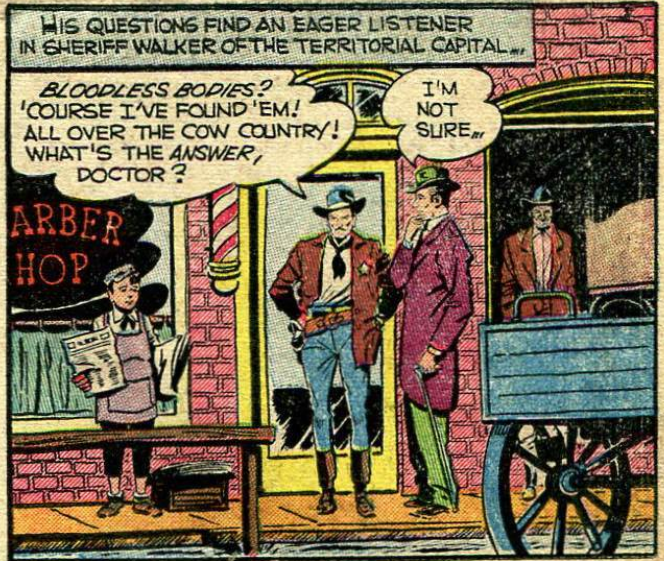


HIS QUESTIONS FIND AN EAGER LISTENER IN SHERIFF WALKER OF THE TERRITORIAL CAPITAL...

BLOODLESS BODIES? 'COURSE I'VE FOUND 'EM! ALL OVER THE COW COUNTRY! WHAT'S THE ANSWER, DOCTOR?

I'M NOT SURE...

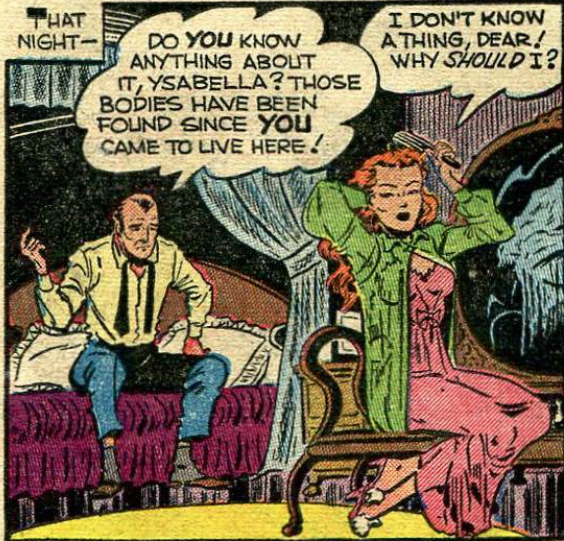
BARBER HOP



THAT NIGHT—

DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT IT, YSABELLA? THOSE BODIES HAVE BEEN FOUND SINCE YOU CAME TO LIVE HERE!

I DON'T KNOW A THING, DEAR! WHY SHOULD I?



HE IS GROWING SUSPICIOUS! HE MUST—DIE! AND AFTER HE DIES—FROM AN ACCIDENTAL DEATH—I WILL LEAVE THIS COUNTRY AND GO EAST...



AS DOCTOR FRENCH LEAVES THE RANCH ON A SICK CALL...

HE ALWAYS DRIVES RIGHT INTO THE STABLE BEFORE UNHITCHING THE HORSES! NOW IF THERE WERE A METAL WEIGHT UP ABOVE TO FALL ON HIM...



THERE! THE STAKE WILL HOLD THE WEIGHT, I'LL CUT THE ROPE—AND THE WEIGHT WILL BE BALANCED ON THE END OF THE STICK...



AS HE DRIVES THE WAGON THROUGH THE DOORWAY, HE WILL KNOCK THE STICK ASIDE! THE WEIGHT WILL FALL—AND KILL HIM!





# THE GHOST RIDER



WHAT DELAYS HIM?  
I HEARD HIM DRIVE THE  
WAGON TOWARD THE  
STABLE—YET I HEARD  
NO FALLING WEIGHT—  
NO OUTCRY!

THE NIGHT WEARS ON, THE  
MINUTES DRAGGING INTO HOURS,  
AND THEN —



HE SITS IN THE WAGON—  
OUTSIDE THE STABLE!  
HE DOES NOT MOVE!



HE IS — **DEAD!** DEAD OF A — HEART  
ATTACK — BEFORE HE HAD A CHANCE  
TO RELEASE THE TRAP I SET! WHAT  
A JOKE! HA HA HA HA HA HA HA!



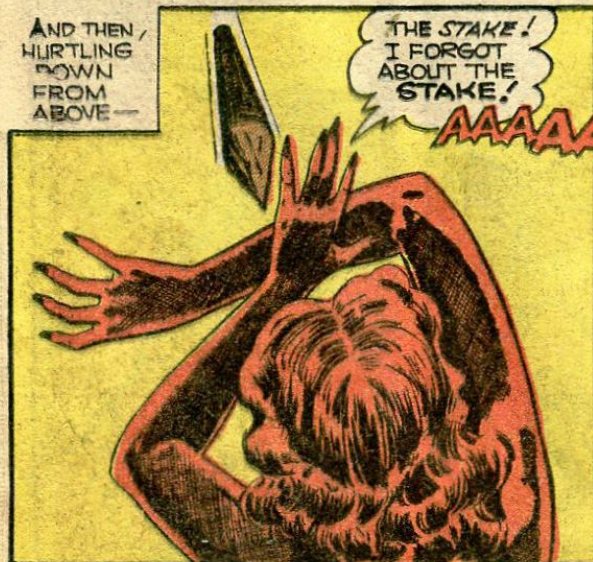
HA HA HA!  
I CAN'T STOP  
LAUGHING! IT'S  
SUCH A — JOKE —  
**CHAAAAH!**

SHREIKING WITH HYSTERICAL LAUGHTER, WEAK WITH  
WICKED MIRTH, YSABELLA DE RIACOMBA STAGGERS  
INTO THE LIVERY STABLE DOOR —



I SET OFF THE TRAP  
MYSELF! BUT IT —  
**MISSED ME!**

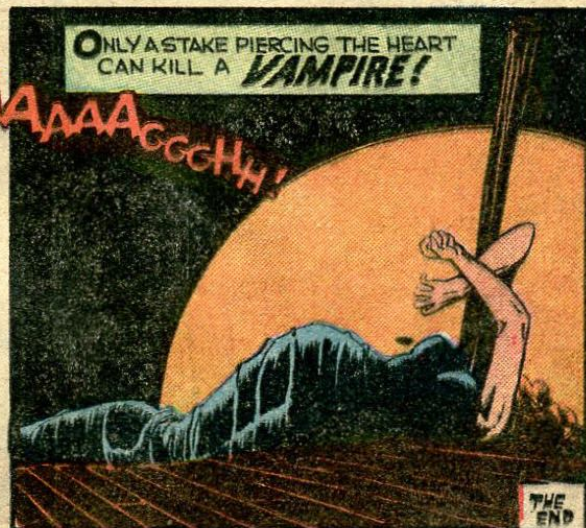
**THUD!**



AND THEN,  
HURTLING  
DOWN  
FROM  
ABOVE —

THE STAKE!  
I FORGOT  
ABOUT THE  
STAKE!

**AAAAAAAAGGCH!**

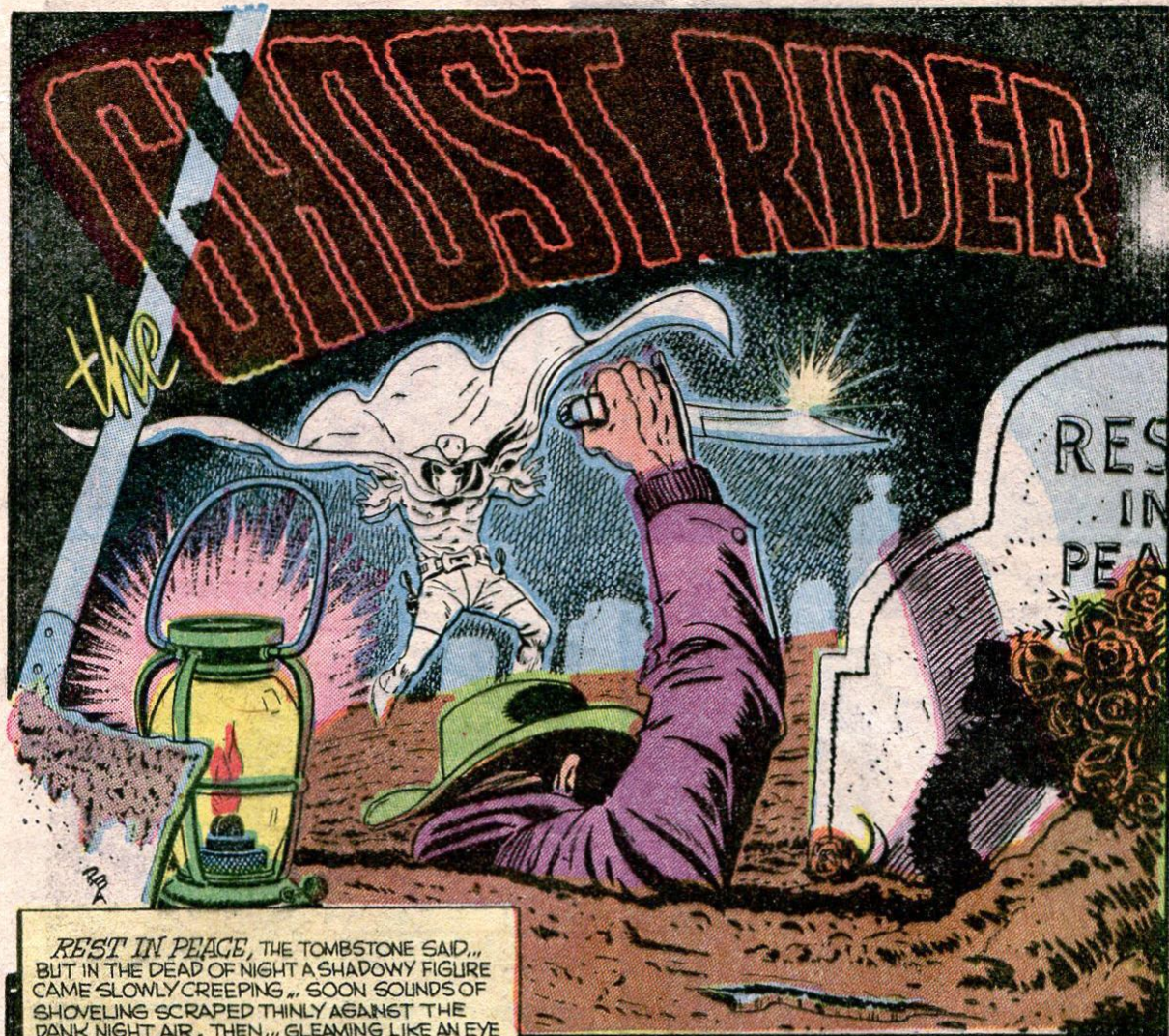


ONLY A STAKE PIERCING THE HEART  
CAN KILL A **VAMPIRE!**

THE  
END



# THE GHOST RIDER



REST IN PEACE, THE TOMBSTONE SAID... BUT IN THE DEAD OF NIGHT A SHADOWY FIGURE CAME SLOWLY CREEPING... SOON SOUNDS OF SHOVELING SCRAPED THINLY AGAINST THE DARK NIGHT AIR. THEN... GLEAMING LIKE AN EYE OF EVIL, OVER THE OPEN COFFIN SLOWLY ROSE

*"The Knife in the Night!"*

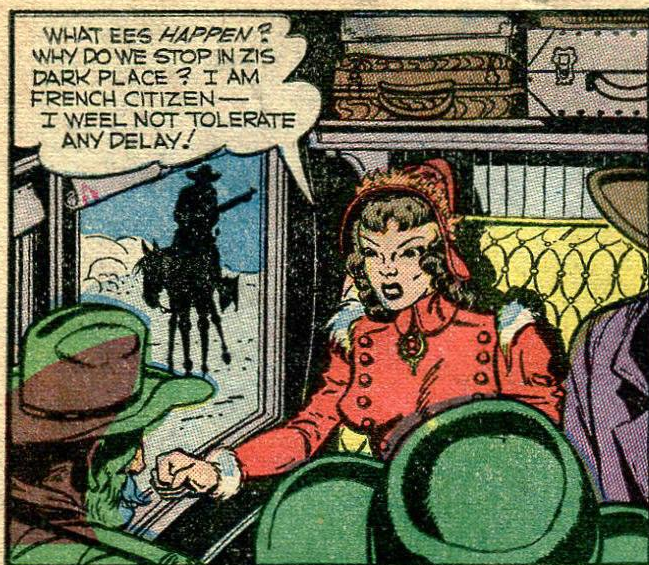


WHO IS HE WHO WAITS OVER THE MOONLIT ROAD, AND WHY DOES HE CHUCKLE SO EERILY?

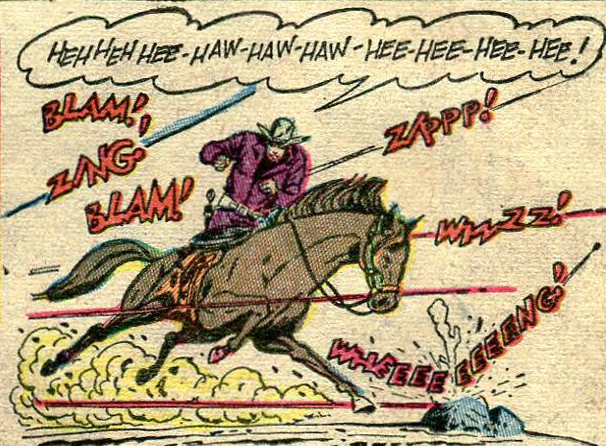




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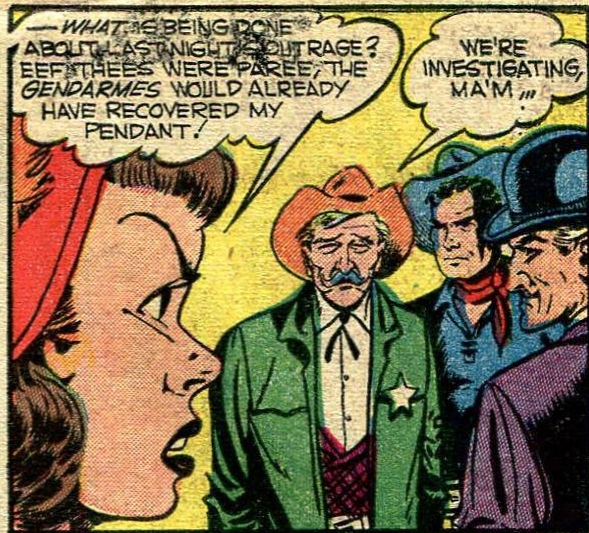
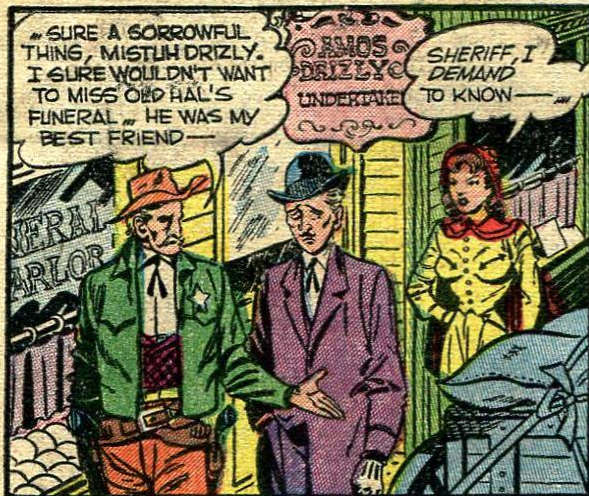
THERE IS NO ANSWER IN WORDS — ONLY A HAND  
SLOWLY REACHING THROUGH THE CARRIAGE  
WINDOW —





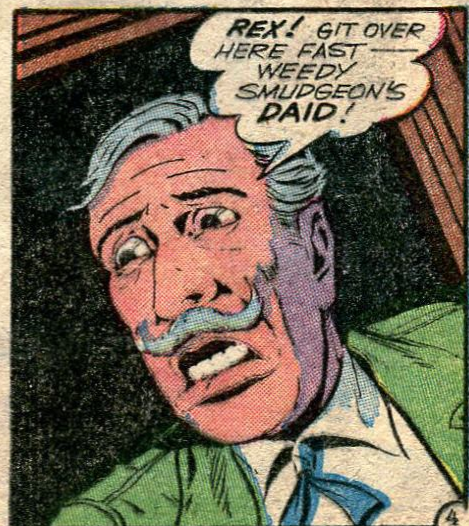
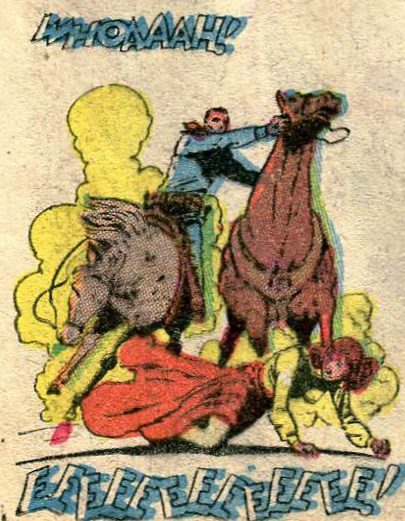
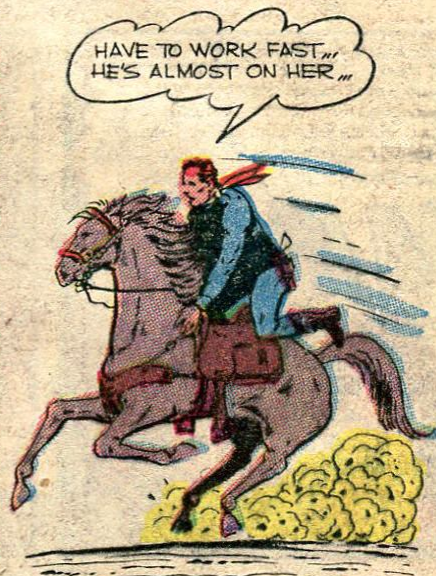
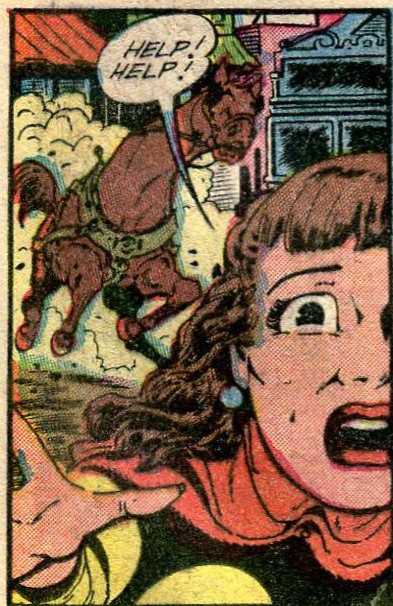
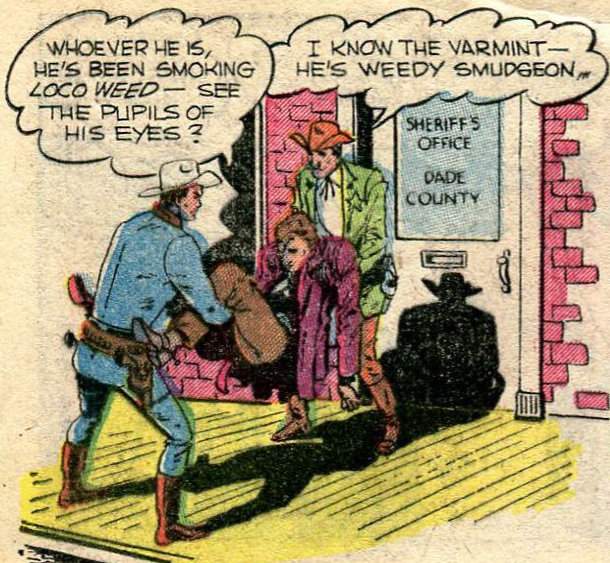
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THE NEXT DAY— OUTSIDE THE TOWN FUNERAL PARLOR //



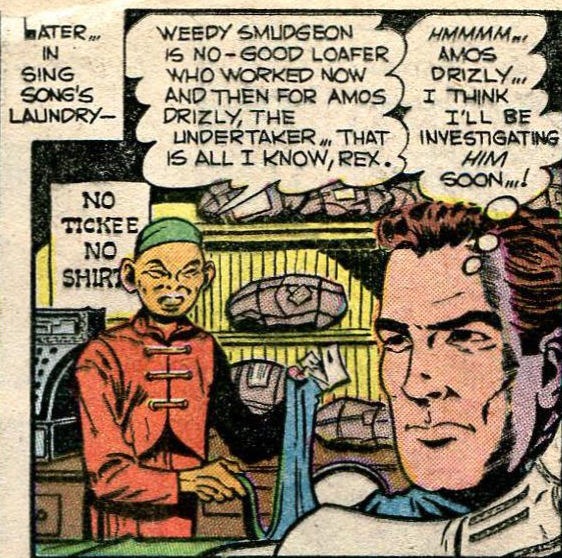
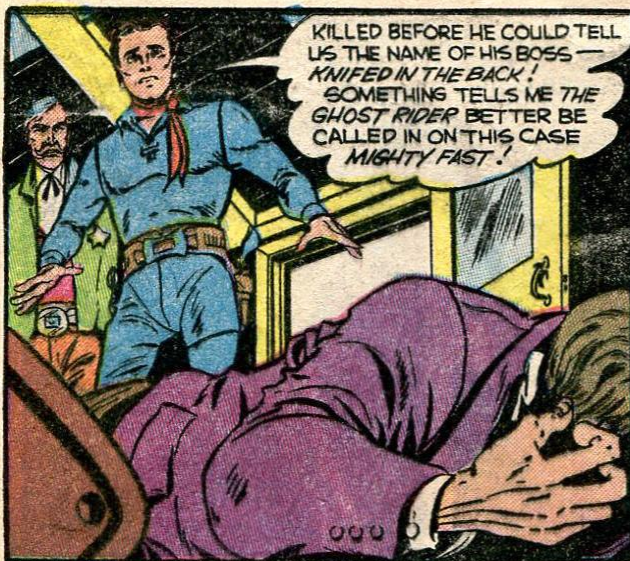


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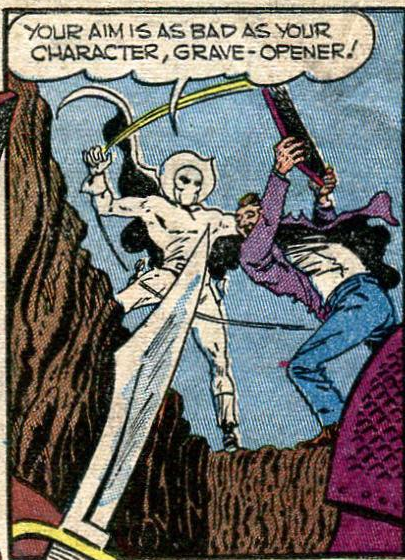


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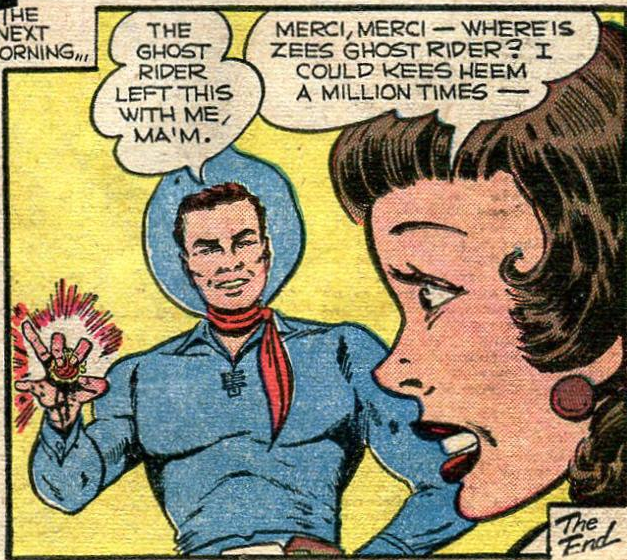




# THE GHOST RIDER



THE NEXT MORNING...







**GEE what a build!**  
Didn't it take a long  
time to get those muscles?



SHOWED

**No SIR! - ATLAS**  
Makes Muscles Grow  
**FAST!**

# Will You Let Me PROVE I Can Make YOU a New Man?



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Awarded the  
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competition — in  
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ALL men who  
would consent to  
appear against  
him.

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**5 inches  
of new  
Muscle**  
"My arms increased  
1½"; chest 2½"; fore-  
arm ½" — C. S. W. Va.



**What a  
difference!**  
"Have put  
3½" on chest (nec-  
mal) and 2½" ex-  
panded — F. S. N. Y.



**Here's what ATLAS  
did for ME!**  
John Jacobs  
**BEFORE**      John Jacobs  
**AFTER**



**For quick results  
I recommend  
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ATLAS**  
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showing wonderful pro-  
gress" — W. G. N. J.



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29  
POUNDS**  
"When I started,  
weighed only 141  
Now 170." — T. K. N. Y.

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## TALES of the GHOST RIDER

**I** IT WAS JUST A GAG, THOUGHT UP FOR A LAUGH AT A HALLOWE'EN PARTY —  
BUT THE JOKE TURNED INTO A STRANGE REALITY WHEN —



THE PARTY TOOK PLACE AT A DUDE RANCH SOME MILES OUTSIDE DALLAS...

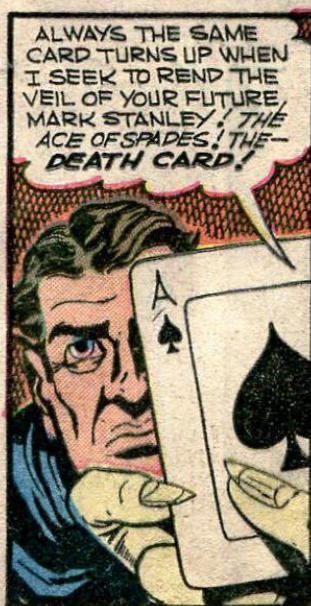


**OFF TO ONE SIDE...**





# THE GHOST RIDER





# THE GHOST RIDER

NELL LORIMER LED MARK STANLEY OUT INTO THE GARDEN, WHERE A GRIM SKELETAL FIGURE STOOD LURKING IN THE SHADOWS...



AT THAT MOMENT, BEYOND THE GARDEN...



The End



# THE GHOST RIDER

# GHOST RIDER

*The*

EVERY NIGHT THE COWLED FIGURE CAME, PILING HORROR ON HORROR WHILE THE GIRL'S SCREAMS SLASHED DESPERATELY THROUGH THE VELVET DARKNESS. WHERE WOULD IT END? HOW? EVEN THE GHOST RIDER SEEMED TO TURN AWAY WHEN HE SAW THE APPARITION BESIDE THE BED OF

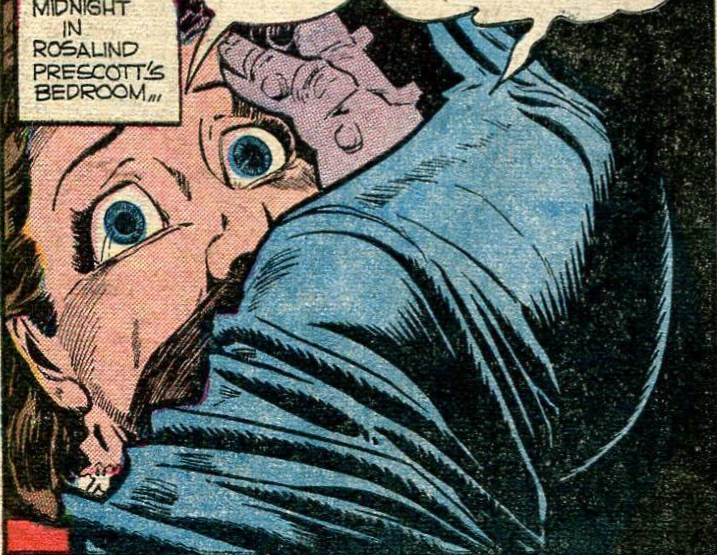
**THE  
HAUNTED  
GIRL!**



AS THE CHIMES TOLL MIDNIGHT IN ROSALIND PRESCOTT'S BEDROOM...

NO, NO...  
NOT  
AGAIN!

COME WITH ME... HEH HEH  
HEH HEH! YOU MUST  
COME WITH ME...



PLEASE... LET ME  
GO BACK! I CAN'T  
STAND ANYMORE OF  
THIS! WHY DO  
YOU HAUNT ME?

COME...  
COME...





# THE GHOST RIDER



FRANCELIKE, ROSALIND FOLLOWS THE SHROUDED FIGURE THROUGH A PANEL IN THE WALL, DOWN DARK STONE STEPS ... AND SUDDENLY —



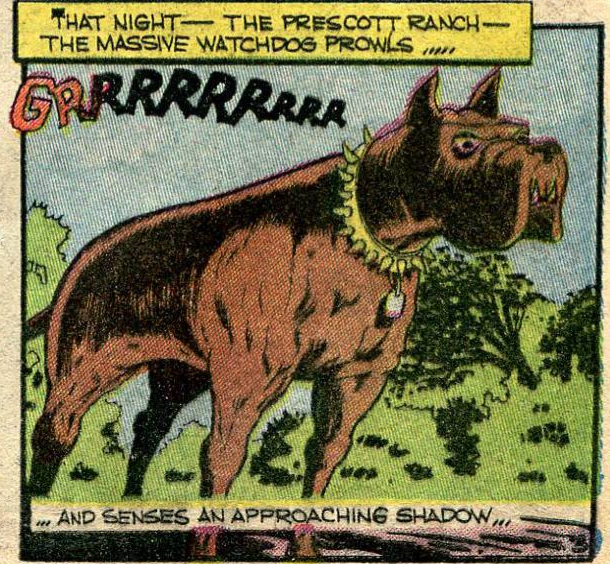
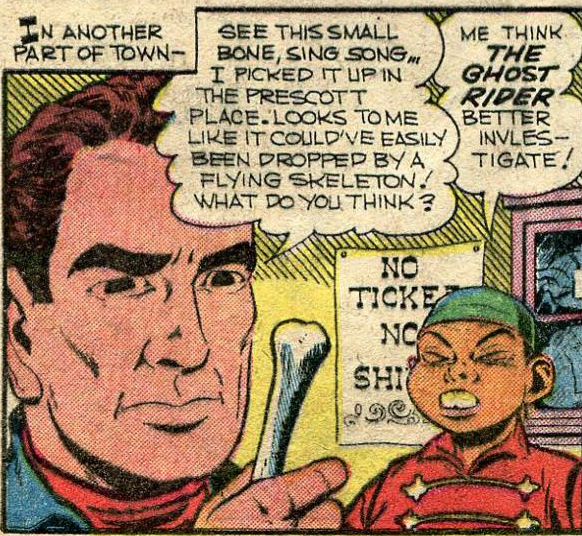
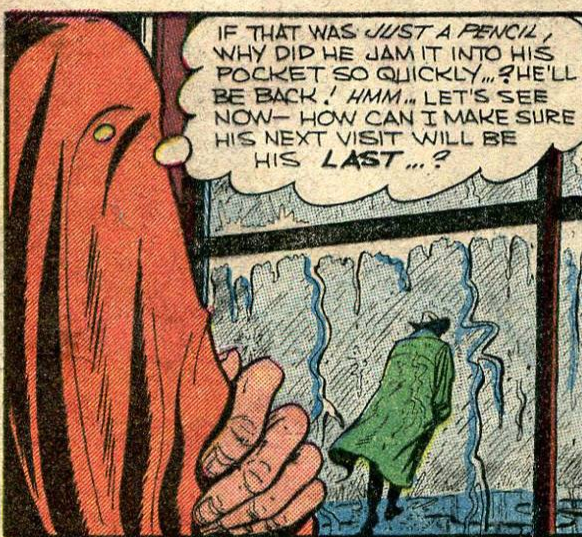
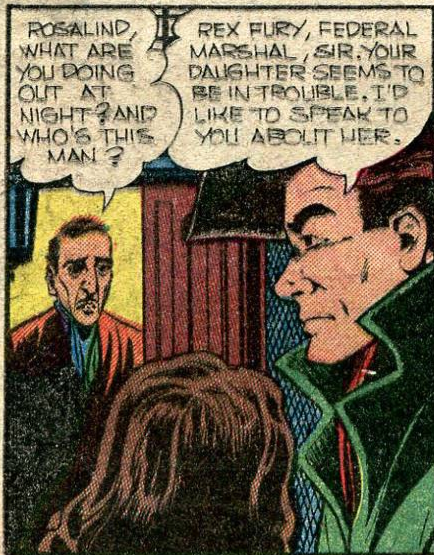
IN STARK TERROR, SHE FLEES INTO THE RAINY NIGHT, FOLLOWED BY THE GHOULISH LAUGHTER OF HER TORMENTOR.





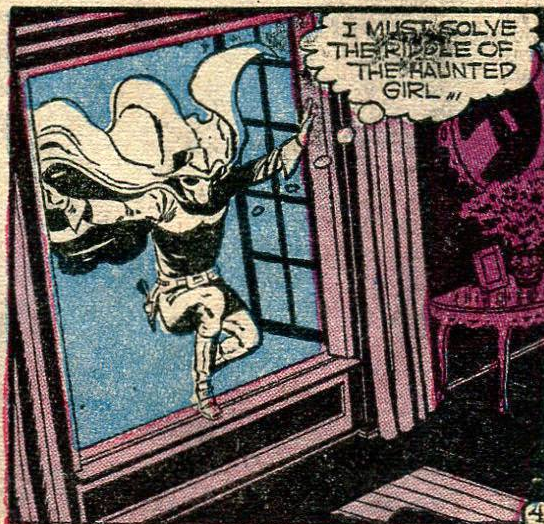
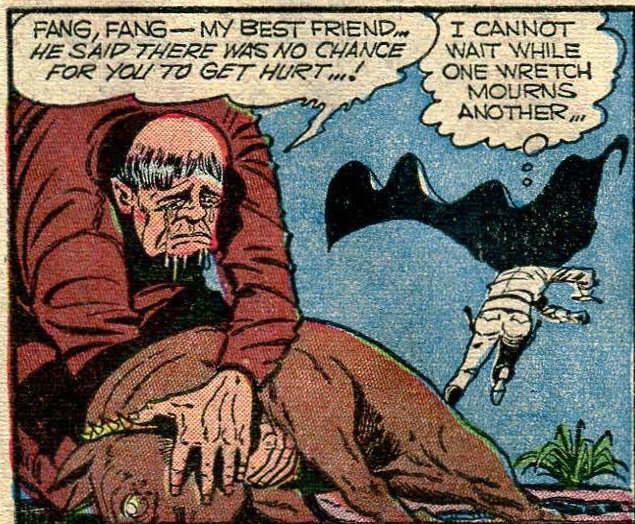
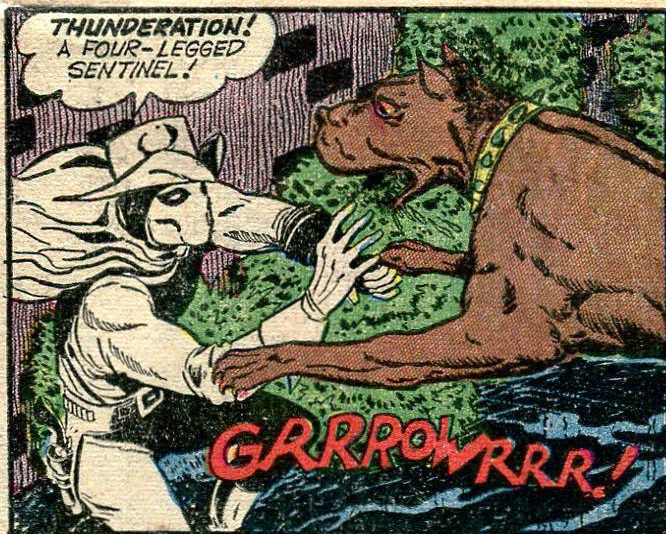
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SUDDENLY THE DOOR SWINGS OPEN—





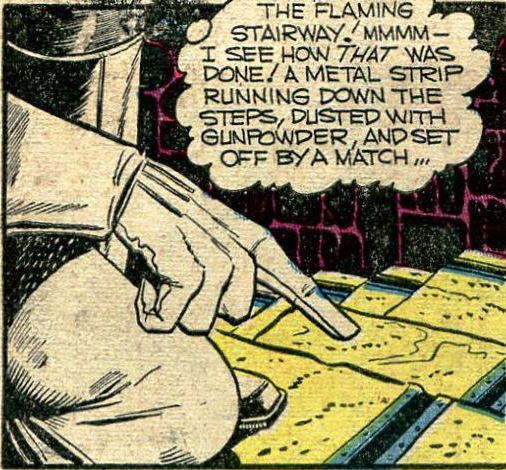
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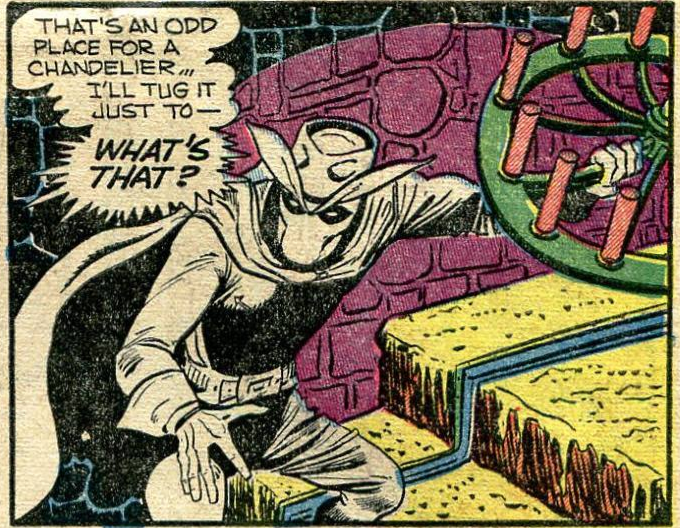


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SWIFTLY AND SILENTLY, THE GHOST RIDER INVESTIGATES...

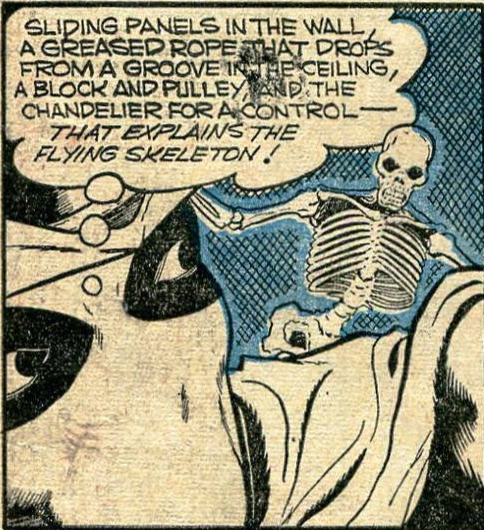


THE FLAMING STAIRWAY! MMMM—I SEE HOW THAT WAS DONE! A METAL STRIP RUNNING DOWN THE STEPS, DUSTED WITH GUNPOWDER, AND SET OFF BY A MATCH...



THAT'S AN ODD PLACE FOR A CHANDELIER... I'LL TUG IT JUST TO—

WHAT'S THAT?



SLIDING PANELS IN THE WALL, A GREASED ROPE THAT DROPS FROM A GROOVE IN THE CEILING, A BLOCK AND PULLEY, AND THE CHANDELIER FOR A CONTROL— THAT EXPLAINS THE FLYING SKELETON!



SO, A MAGIC LANTERN PROJECTED THOSE ANWFUL FACES... CLEVER— BUT FOR WHAT EVIL PURPOSE? WHY SHOULD SOMEONE BE TRYING TO DRIVE THE POOR GIRL MAD?



SUDDENLY THE SILENCE IS DASHED BY THE SCREAMS OF THE FEAR-CRAZED GIRL—

NOW TO RIP THE WEB OF THIS MYSTERY!



IN ROSALIND PRESCOTT'S ROOM—

COME WITH ME!

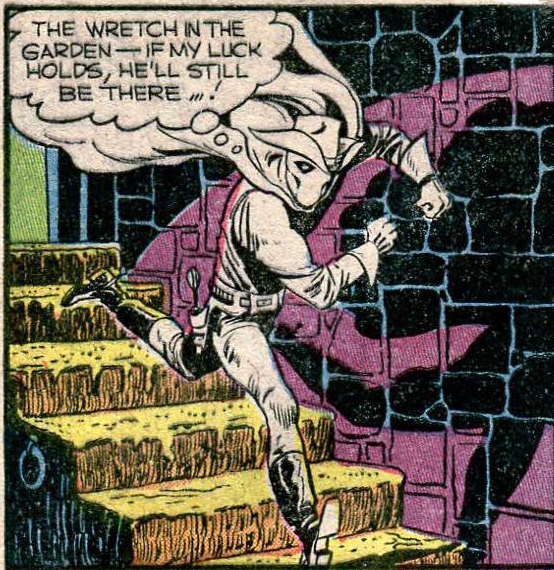
PLEASE, PLEASE... NOT AGAIN...!



WHY DOES THE GHOST RIDER HESITATE? WHY DOES HE TURN BACK TO THE STAIRWAY...?

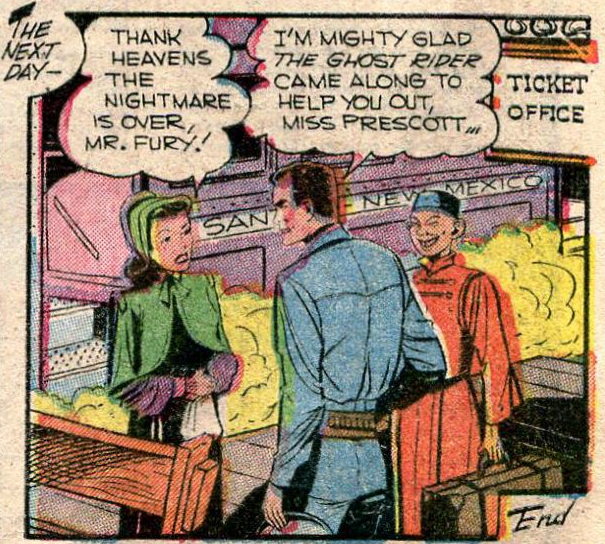
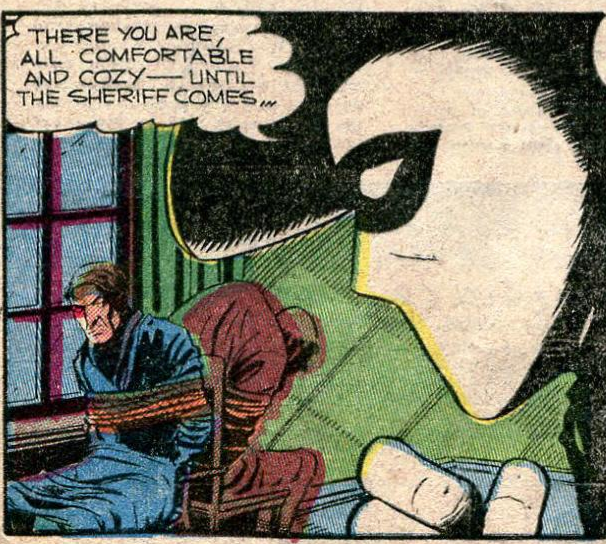
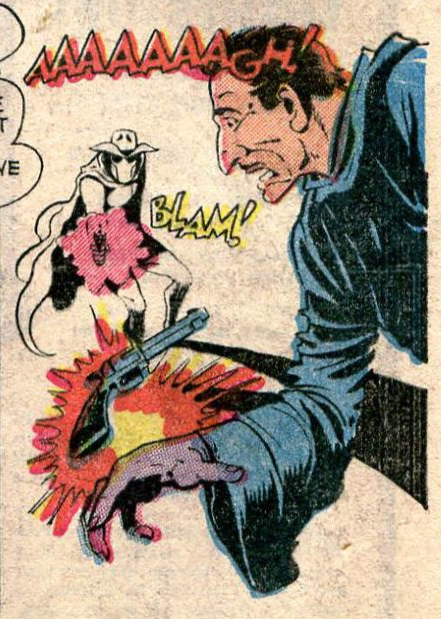
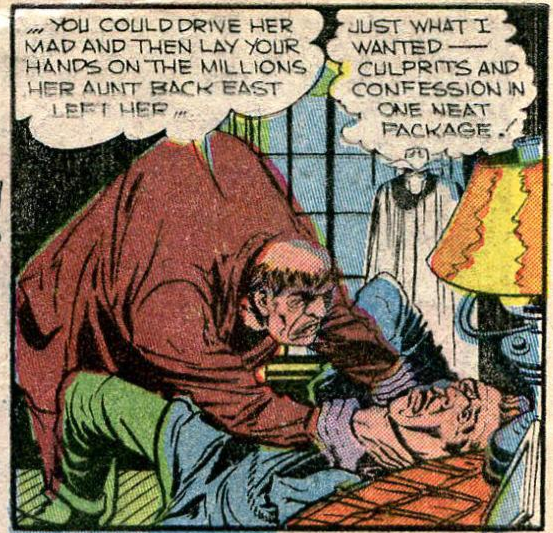


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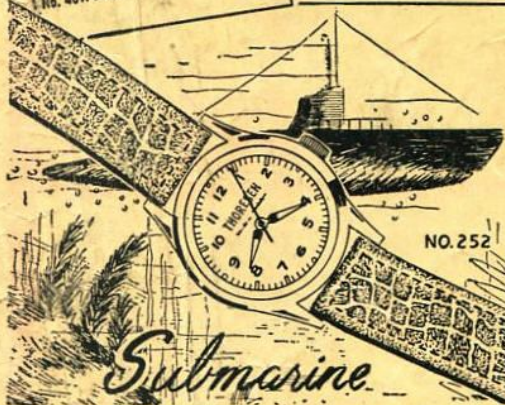
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